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## RESPONSE

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 13, 2003, kindly enter the following amendments and consider the appended remarks, along with the Declaration of Edward Joseph Cigallio Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 (the Cigallio Declaration) and the Declaration of Richard Vincent Dougherty Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 (the Dougherty Declaration). A Petition for a one-month extension of time in which to file this response is filed herewith along with the requisite fee.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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